

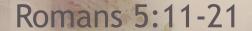
Grace Comes through Faith

Romans 5
Review

Grace through faith is the intended and <u>sole</u> avenue by which God dispenses his grace to us. This is our only hope for a victorious Christian life.

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Conclusion: As sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.



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Col 3:10 And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

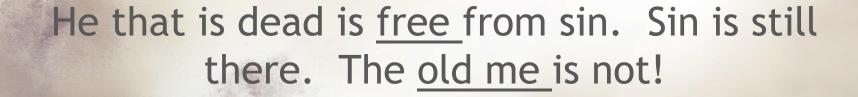


Verses 3-7: We are <u>dead</u> with Christ. Our old man is crucified with him. (2 Cor 5:17).



2Co 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.



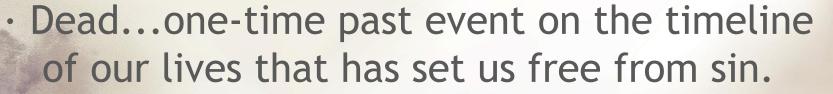


We are <u>alive</u> with Christ. The "shall" of v.8 refers back to the "if" of the same verse—not future tense. He dieth no more (He died once and for all).

Christ rose <u>victoriously</u> and death no longer has dominion over him.

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...Yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin. Stop and reckon! If the Devil cannot keep you ignorant (unknowing), he will work to keep you thoughtless! (Eph 5:1-17).

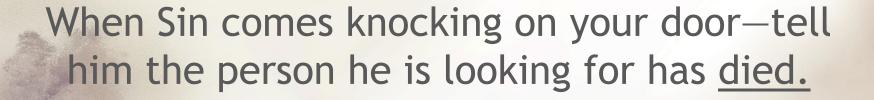


* Sin is not removed.

 Dead...one-time past event on the timeline of our lives that has set us free from sin.

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* Sin is still tempting.



reckon

Yield: Verses 12-14: We are free to choose to whom we will yield. Jn 8:32.



Our choices: Yield to <u>sin</u> or yield to <u>God</u>. (<u>Not</u> yielding is <u>not</u> an option).

· Yielding to sin results in unrighteousness. Yielding to God in righteousness.

Yielding to sin indicates <u>ignorance</u> (Rom 6:1-3, 6-10) or <u>thoughtlessness</u>. (Rom 6:11)

Not yielding to God reveals a gross misunderstanding of who God is. (Like calling him Lord and not following his instructions). (Job 9:32), (Ps 24), (Lu 6:46-49), (Ps 34:8).

Vs 14: Conclusion: Sin does not have dominion over us. We are not under the law (which defines sin), but under grace. This brings us back full circle to our position in grace. Gal 5:13

Psa 34:8 O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.



